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DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER REVISED SEGREGATED RATES

HONOLULU — State of Hawaii, Department of Health, Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch has revised the segregated rates for the Hawaii Deposit Beverage Container Law, which will allow redemption centers to pay higher rates per pound of plastic and glass. (Aluminum and bi-metal rates remain the same)

Under the law passed by the Legislature, certified redemption centers may weigh loads of empty deposit beverage containers and pay out deposits based on a segregated rate. The segregated weight is the number of containers that make up one pound of product (glass, plastic etc.). The loads must be segregated by material type and contain 100% Hawaii deposit beverage containers (HI5).

The segregated rates are as follows:

Deposit Container Material Type	01/01/05 – 03/22/05 # of Containers per Pound	03/23/05 until Further Notice # of Containers per Pound
Aluminum	30	30.0
Bi-metal	8	8.0
Glass	2	2.4
Plastic (PET & HDPE)	12	16.6

(more)

Formerly individuals bringing in 10-pounds of glass would receive 20 nickels (2 bottles per pound of glass) now the same 10-pounds of glass will receive 24 nickels (2.4 bottles per pound of glass weighed).

These rates are effective beginning March 23, 2005 and will be in effect until further notice is provided. For more information contact the Department of Health at (808) 586-4226 or visit www.hi5deposit.com.

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